



# DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Frederick County

Located at 100 West Patrick St, Frederick, Maryland 21701

Case No. D-111-CR-23-000896

STATE OF MARYLAND

VS.

RICKETTS, AMBER LAUREN

1335 TABET AVEBYE AOT 103  
FREDERICK, MD 21702-0000

CC#: Tracking No: 231001221625

Home phone: Cellphone:

Charge | Statute | Arrest

CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ | CR 11 207 (a)(1) |  
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SEX ABUSE MINOR | CR 3 602 (b)(1) |  
CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ | CR 11 207 (a)(1) |

Date: 06/06/2023

## ARREST WARRANT

Warrant Control No. D220375816

STATE OF MARYLAND, Frederick County

TO ANY PEACE OFFICER:

An order of the court was entered on 06/06/2023, ordering the arrest of RICKETTS, AMBER LAUREN to be brought before this court for an Initial Appearance.

YOU ARE ORDERED to immediately arrest the above-named person who resides or may be located at:  
1335 TABET AVEBYE AOT 103, FREDERICK, MD 217020000.

### IF THE DEFENDANT IS NOT IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE,

Initial appearance is to be held in county in which defendant is arrested.

### YOU ARE FURTHER DIRECTED:

to immediately take this person before a judicial officer of the District Court; or if the warrant so specifies, before a judicial officer of the circuit court. An appearance by video satisfies the requirements of this directive.

to hold this person at \_\_\_\_\_ pending their appearance in the above-named court on the first sitting of the court following their apprehension.

IF THE DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY FOR ANOTHER OFFENSE, this warrant is to be lodged as a detainer for the continued detention of the defendant for the offense charged in the charging document. When the defendant is served with a copy of the charging document and warrant, the defendant shall be taken before a judicial officer of the district court; or if the warrant so specifies, before a judicial officer of the circuit court.

\_\_\_\_\_

Specify other directions as needed

LOCAL DETENTION CENTER, JAIL OR BOOKING FACILITY: YOU ARE ORDERED to:

Receive from any officer the body of the above-named defendant who is COMMITTED TO YOUR CUSTODY.

Transfer the defendant to: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Name and Address

The defendant, once transferred, shall be taken without unnecessary delay, before this court during the next session to answer these charges.

Date: 06/06/2023 Time: 11:55 PM

*[Signature]* L. Angel, B081  
Judge/Commissioner/Clerk of the Circuit Court

ID: B081

Commissioner

Description: Driver's License #

DOB: 12/22/1991 FBI #

Race: W Sex: F Ht: 5' 03" Wt: 130 Hair: Eyes:

SID #

SSN \_\_\_\_\_

Complexion \_\_\_\_\_ Tattoos, Marks, Scars \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Given to Law Enforcement Agency: FREDERICK CITY POLICE DEPT

### RETURN OF SERVICE

I certify that at \_\_\_\_\_ M on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, I executed this arrest warrant by arresting the person named above

Time \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Place \_\_\_\_\_

and delivered a copy of the arrest warrant to them.

I left a copy of the warrant and charging document as a detainer for the continued detention of the person named above at: \_\_\_\_\_

Detention Facility

Address

Signature of Peace Officer

Title

Agency

Sub-Agency

ID Number

CC-DC-CR-142A(Rev. 11/2021)

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NOTE: Any part of a Social Security Number is Restricted Information per Md. Rule 16-915(e).

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COMPLAINANT:

Officer: DEWEES, DET. DAVID  
Agency/Subagency: BS 7035  
Officer ID: 0503

CC#: SID: FBI#:  
LID: DL#:

Race: W Sex: F Ht: 5' 3" Wt: 130 Hair: Eyes:  
DOB: 12/22/1991 Home phone: Cellphone:

## STATEMENT OF CHARGES

UPON THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION OF Officer: DEWEES, DET. DAVID IT IS FORMALY CHARGED THAT RICKETTS, AMBER LAUREN at the dates, times and locations specified below:

NUM	CHG/CIT	STATUTE	PENALTY	DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARGE
001	1 0322	CR 3 602 ((b)(1))	25 Y	SEX ABUSE MINOR On or About 12/16/2019 201 BICTON COMMONS DRIVE FREDERICK, FREDERICK COUNTY, MD ... did cause sexual abuse to JAYDEN DENISE BELL, a minor, the defendant being said child's parent. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
002	1 0298	CR 11 207 ((a)(1))	10 Y &/or \$25,000.00	CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ On or About 12/16/2019 201 BICTON COMMONS DRIVE FREDERICK, FREDERICK COUNTY, MD ...did induce JAYDEN DENISE BELL, a minor to engage as a subject in a visual representation that depicts a minor engaged as a subject in sexual conduct, to wit: IMG I44848657.JPG. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.
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Date : 06/06/2023 Time : 11:51 PM

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Judicial Officer:

  
L. Angel, B081  
Commissioner B081  
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**COMPLAINANT**

DeWees, D.W. (Detective)  
Printed Name  
100 West Patrick Street  
Address  
Frederick, Maryland 21701 301-600-2101  
City, State, Zip Telephone  
BS, 7035, 0503  
Agency, Sub-agency, and I.D. # (Officer Only)

**DEFENDANT**

RICKETTS, Amber Lauren  
Printed Name  
1335 Taney Avenue, Apt. 103  
Address  
Frederick, Maryland 21702  
City, State, Zip Telephone  
CC# 2023-035457

DEFENDANT'S DESCRIPTION: Driver's License # R232066488969 Sex W Race F Ht 503 Wt 130  
Hair Eyes Complexion Other DOB 12/22/1991 ID

**APPLICATION FOR STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

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(Include a statement of facts within your personal knowledge (what you saw or heard, what someone said to you, etc.) showing that there is probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed and that the defendant has committed it. Please see the "NOTICE TO APPLICANT FOR A CHARGING DOCUMENT" for further information.)

I, the undersigned, apply for a statement of charges and a summons or warrant which may lead to the arrest of the above named defendant because on or about 12/16/2019, 8/1/2022 at 201 Bicton Commons Drive, Frederick, MD Date Place did produce and distribute child pornography images , the above named defendant

\*\* See Attached Narrative \*\*

(Continued on attached 4 pages) (DC-CR-001A)

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this document are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

June 6, 2023  
Date

Officer's Signature  
Detective D.W. DeWees / 0503  
Printed Name

I have read or had read to me and I understand the notice on the back of this form.

Date

Applicant's Signature

Printed Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me

6-6-23 at

5:00

 AM  PM

L. Angel, B081

Judge/Commissioner

Commissioner

ID Number

I understand that a charging document will be issued and that I must appear for trial  on Date  
at Time,  when notified by the clerk, at the court location shown at the top of this form.

Applicant's Signature

The applicant requests reasonable protection for safety of the alleged victim or the victim's family.

(Describe)

I have advised applicant of the right to request shielding.  The applicant declines shielding.  
 I declined to issue a charging document because of lack of probable cause.

Date

Commissioner

ID Number





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This investigation involved the suspect, identified as Amber Lauren Ricketts ("Ricketts") producing child pornography images of her minor daughter and selling them to a subject online.

On May 5, 2023, Samantha Deamer ("Deamer"), a Psychologist with West Virginia University Medical Center contacted the Frederick Police Department ("FPD") regarding a child exploitation complaint. Deamer reported to the FPD she provided care to a 15-year-old female child, identified as Jayden Bell ("Jayden") and her 13-year-old sister, Nevaeh Bell ("Nevaeh"). On May 4, 2023, Jayden disclosed during a therapy session that her mother, later identified as Amber Ricketts ("Ricketts") produced child pornography images of her that she later sold for US Currency to a male suspect residing in Florida.

On May 12, 2023, both victims were interviewed at the Frederick County Child Advocacy Center ("CAC"). During the interview, Jayden disclosed that in August 2022 Ricketts had custody of her and Nevaeh for a week, while living with her boyfriend's mother in Frederick, MD. Ricketts approached Jayden about producing child pornography images and that she would be paid. Jayden disclosed that she felt pressured by her mother and allowed Ricketts to photograph her.

Ricketts also attempted to take exploitative images of Nevaeh, however she refused. Jayden advised Ricketts used her cellphone to take multiple videos of her in the apartment bathroom using a black smart phone that had a cracked screen and single camera lens. In the contacts, the male suspect is labeled as "Florida Man".

Jayden observed a text message between Ricketts and an unknown subject, who is later identified as John Wayne Balch ("Balch"). Balch was identified in a separate investigation with Homeland Security Investigations ("HSI") with the same course of conduct. Balch communicated to Ricketts "to do a bunch of stuff" that she later disclosed being asked to fondle herself and then to perform a sexual act with her mother. Jayden refused. Ricketts asked Jayden to remove her shirt while being recorded. Jayden said she felt pressured and was concerned that Ricketts would have her younger sister do the same thing. Jayden wore a long gray & white shirt with flowers that went to her knees. She wore underwear but no bra. Jayden disclosed that Ricketts video recorded her removing her shirt. She advised she was nude from the waist up.

Ricketts kept having to redo the video, approximately 5-6 times. Jayden did not know why. She reported that she was upset and tearful after the images were taken. Jayden said Ricketts asked Balch for money. Ricketts reportedly sent the video of Jayden to Balch. She described her knowledge of Balch as a "rich guy" who lives in "Florida". She was not familiar with him by name. Jayden disclosed a prior incident involving the same course of conduct. Ricketts reportedly took similar images of her when she was approximately (9) nine years old. Jayden disclosed that Ricketts took an image of her wearing only underwear, and another while she was completely nude. She believed that Ricketts used a different cellphone at the time, possibly a black Samsung phone. Ricketts produced these images in her parent's bedroom of a prior residence in Frederick, MD.

In the HSI investigation, Balch paid two Maryland women and one West Virginia woman to produce and distribute child pornography of their female children. Balch is resides at 13364 Beach Blvd, Jacksonville, Florida. HSI investigators served a search & seizure warrant on Balch's Florida residence where evidence was seized, and Balch was arrested. Balch is currently being held on the following federal charges: Conspiracy to Commit Sexual Exploitation of a Child; Sexual Exploitation of a Child; Coercion and Enticement of a Minor; Distribution of Visual Depictions of Minors Engaged in Sexually Explicit Conduct; Receipt of Child

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Applicant's Signature

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Pornography; Conspiracy to Commit Transportation of a Minor; Transportation of a Minor; and Possession of Child Pornography.

During a review of data from the HSI investigation, I observed multiple emails with media attachments from Ricketts to Balch, dated December 16, 2019. I observed multiple images that depicted Jayden at a younger age. Based on the date in the Exif data, Jayden would have been 11 years old. Jayden is posed wearing lingerie and also nude. She was displayed in a lascivious manner. The following files were identified that show Jayden in a bedroom.

File Name: IMG\_20191216\_144848657.jpg

File Description: Jayden is depicted wearing green lingerie. The lingerie was pulled up in between her legs and exposing the labia majora of her vagina.

File Name: IMG\_20191216\_145430338.jpg

File Description: Jayden is depicted completely nude and standing in a bedroom. Her breast and vagina are exposed.

File Name: IMG\_20191216\_145500323.jpg

File Description: Jayden is depicted standing in a bedroom with her hands on her hips. She is completely nude and her breast and vagina are exposed.

I observed additional data from Balch's device that showed communication between Balch and a phone number identified as "240-542-7688" on August 1, 2022. The chats are between Balch and another a person who advising they are "Jayden". In the chats, the subject communicated to Balch asking for money and that they would send images. Balch asked the person, "What are you willing to do?" Balch then instructed the person to send videos depicting Jayden exposing and fondling her breast. The person then sent multiple images of Jayden to Balch. Of the recovered files, the following (2) two files depicted child pornography:

File Name: 123951.mp4

File Description: A color video depicting the victim, identified as Jayden Bell. The victim is wearing blue underwear and a pink color shirt. The victim is in a bathroom and there is a tub in the background. The victim removed her shirt exposing a blue bra. The victim then removed her blue bra exposing her breast.

File Name: media0(duplicate\_filename\_821).mp4

File Description: A color video depicting the victim shirtless exposing her breast. She is wearing blue underwear. The victim is fondling her breast. The victim is in a bathroom and there is a tub in the background.

The person sending messages is believed to be Ricketts. The images of Jayden were taken by a 3rd party also believed to be Ricketts. The money that Balch electronically sent was to Ricketts' CashApp account identified as "SRebma2269". During the CAC interview on May 12, 2023, Jayden disclosed that while in a bathroom in August of 2022, Ricketts took multiple videos of Jayden shirtless after communicating with Balch. The phone number (12405427688) used to communicate with Balch returned to a TextNow application. TextNow is a voice over IP (VOIP) service where a user can call or chat using an assigned phone number.

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On May 10, 2023, the FPD Tactical Investigations Unit ("TIU") served a search and seizure warrant at 350 East Third Street, Apt 1 Frederick, MD regarding an unrelated narcotics investigation. During the service of this warrant, detectives came in contact with multiple individuals inside of the residence to include Ricketts. During the investigation, TIU detectives arrested Ricketts on an unrelated arrest warrant and recovered her cellphone, described as a black, Samsung cellphone contained in a red & black case. The device was placed into evidence.

On May 31, 2023, I conducted a review of Ricketts Samsung cellphone extraction data pursuant to a search warrant. During this review, I noted that the phone number is "240-739-8509". The email address associated with the device is "amberrikkets47@gmail.com". I observed a screen shot of a cash application with the name "John Balch". In the Call Log, I noted communication between Ricketts and Balch a total of (16) sixteen times. In "Contacts" on the device, the phone number "904-557-3742" is assigned to "FL Man".

On June 1, 2023, I contacted Jayden's father, Kevin Bell. During communication with Bell, I displayed (3) three photos recovered from emails sent to Balch by Ricketts on December 16, 2019. The images were sanitized and depicted the face of a young girl, believed to be Jayden. Additionally, there were (2) two images that captured the background of a bedroom where the images were taken. Bell confirmed the young girl in the image is Jayden. He also confirmed the background is a bedroom located at 201 Bicton Commons Drive, Frederick, MD.

Based on this investigation, the victim disclosed during a therapy session that her mother produced child pornography images and distributed the images to a male subject in Florida and was compensated through a cash application. The victim disclosed that the incident occurred twice in her life, including when she was around "9 years old". A male subject, identified as John Wayne Balch, was identified as purchasing those images. During a search of data seized during an HSI investigation belonging to Balch, I observed communication where Ricketts communicated with Balch and distributed child pornography images and videos of her minor daughter.

Based on the investigation and after consultation with the Frederick County State's Attorney's Office, I respectfully request that an arrest warrant be issued for Ricketts, charging her with the following criminal offenses:

Count 1: CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ CR 11-207(a)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
...did cause, induce, knowingly permit Jayden Denise Bell, a minor to engage as a subject in a visual representation that depicts a minor engaged as a subject in sexual conduct to wit: File Name: IMG\_20191216\_144848657.JPG.

Count 2: CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ CR 11-207(a)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
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Count 3: CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ CR 11-207(a)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
...did cause, induce, knowingly permit Jayden Denise Bell, a minor to engage as a subject in a visual representation that depicts a minor engaged as a subject in sexual conduct to wit: File Name: IMG\_20191216\_145430338.JPG.

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Count 4: CHILD PORN PROMOTE/DISTRB CR 11-207(a)(4) Date: 12/16/2019  
...did knowingly distribute File Name: IMG\_20191216\_144848657.jpg, in a manner that is intended to cause another to believe that visual representation depicts a minor engage as a subject of sexual conduct.

Count 5: CHILD PORN PROMOTE/DISTRB CR 11-207(a)(4) Date: 12/16/2019  
...did knowingly distribute File Name: FILE NAME: IMG\_20191216\_145500323.JPG, in a manner that is intended to cause another to believe that visual representation depicts a minor engage as a subject of sexual conduct.

Count 6: CHILD PORN PROMOTE/DISTRB CR 11-207(a)(4) Date: 12/16/2019  
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Count 7: SEX ABUSE MINOR CR 3-602(b)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
...did cause sexual abuse to Jayden Denise Bell, a minor, the defendant being said child's parent temporary care, custody for the supervision of said child.

Count 8: CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ CR 11-207(a)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
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Count 9: CHILD PORN PERMIT SEX SUBJ CR 11-207(a)(1) Date: 12/16/2019  
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Count 10: CHILD PORN PROMOTE/DISTRB CR 11-207(a)(4) Date: 8/1/2022  
...did knowingly distribute File Name: FILE NAME: 123951.MP4, in a manner that is intended to cause another to believe that visual representation depicts a minor engage as a subject of sexual conduct.

Count 11: CHILD PORN PROMOTE/DISTRB CR 11-207(a)(4) Date: 8/1/2022  
...did knowingly distribute File Name: FILE NAME: MEDIA0(DUPLICATE\_FILENAME\_821).MP4, in a manner that is intended to cause another to believe that visual representation depicts a minor engage as a subject of sexual conduct.

Count 12: SEX ABUSE MINOR CR 3-602(b)(1) Date: 8/1/2022  
...did cause sexual abuse to Jayden Denise Bell, a minor, the defendant being said child's parent temporary care, custody for the supervision of said child.

All of the stated events occurred in Frederick County, Maryland.

June 6, 2023

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Detective David DeWees / 0503

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## NOTICE OF ADVICE OF RIGHT TO COUNSEL FOR ALL JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS

### TO THE PERSON CHARGED:

1. This paper charges you with committing a crime.
2. If you have been arrested and remain in custody, you have the right to have a judicial officer decide whether you should be released from jail until your trial.
3. If you have been served with a citation or summons directing you to appear before a judicial officer for a preliminary inquiry at a date and time designated or within five days of service if no time is designated, a judicial officer will advise you of your rights, the charges against you, and penalties. The preliminary inquiry will be cancelled if a lawyer has entered an appearance to represent you.
4. You have the right to have a lawyer.
5. A lawyer can be helpful to you by:
  - (A) explaining the charges in this paper;
  - (B) telling you the possible penalties;
  - (C) explaining any potential collateral consequences of a conviction, including immigration consequences;
  - (D) helping you at trial;
  - (E) helping you protect your constitutional rights; and
  - (F) helping you to get a fair penalty if convicted.
6. Even if you plan to plead guilty, a lawyer can be helpful.
7. If you are eligible, the Public Defender or a court-appointed attorney will represent you at any initial appearance before a judicial officer and at any proceeding under Rule 4-216.2 to review an order of a District Court commissioner regarding pretrial release. If you want a lawyer for any further proceeding, including trial, but do not have the money to hire one, the Public Defender may provide a lawyer for you. To apply for Public Defender representation, contact a District Court commissioner.
8. If you want a lawyer but you cannot get one and the Public Defender will not provide one for you, contact the court clerk as soon as possible.
9. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DATE OF YOUR TRIAL TO GET A LAWYER.** If you do not have a lawyer before the trial date, you may have to go to trial without one.

Contact information for District Court Commissioner's Offices can be found at:

<http://www.mdcourts.gov/district/directories/commissionermap.html>

If you require further information about qualifying for a Public Defender, call 1-833-453-9799.

### NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

1. **MUST APPEAR** - If the offense with which you are charged is a 'MUST APPEAR' offense, you may not waive trial but are required to appear in court when notified. Drivers who receive payable citations included with a "Must Appear" citation automatically will receive a trial date notice for all citations. PLEASE NOTE THAT FAILURE TO APPEAR MAY RESULT IN A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST.
2. **PRESET FINE** - If ALL of your charges are marked "Payable", you must comply with one of the following within 30 days after receipt of the citation/summons.

**OPTION #1** - Pay the full amount of the preset fine for each violation.

**OPTION #2** - Request a waiver hearing regarding sentencing and disposition instead of trial - Plead Guilty With an Explanation. Do not send payment.

**OPTION #3** - Request a trial date, time, and place established by the District Court of Maryland by writ or trial notice. Do not send payment.

Please note that payment of the preset fine will result in conviction for the offense(s) charged being entered against you and the case being closed. Please note further that points will be assessed by MVA on your driving record after conviction of a violation of the Motor Vehicle Laws of this State. Failure to pay the preset fine or to appear at trial, after notice, will result in the suspension of your driving privileges by the Motor Vehicle Administration.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO PAY CITATIONS:

Visit the MD Judiciary Website at [www.mdcourts.gov/district](http://www.mdcourts.gov/district) or call the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System for trial dates, court locations, and directions.

From all areas including out-of-state calls: 1-800-492-2656  
TTY users call Maryland RELAY: 711

I have read or have had read to me the contents of the above notice and acknowledge receipt of a copy thereof.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Defendant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Judge/Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The attached papers charge you with committing a crime. Depending on the crime charged, a jail sentence could be imposed by the court if you are found guilty. You have a right to be represented at trial by a lawyer. ACT IMMEDIATELY to obtain a lawyer. If you cannot afford a lawyer, you may apply for the Public Defender through the District Court Commissioner who will determine if you are eligible for the Public Defender to represent you at trial. If you wait too long to retain the Public Defender or private counsel you can be made to stand trial without a lawyer. Applications are accepted at any District Court Commissioner's Office during operating hours. Please contact the office listed below for operating hours:

District Court Commissioner Station for Frederick County  
7300 MARCIE'S CHOICE LANE  
Frederick, MD 21704  
1-833-453-9799

You should bring the following papers to apply for the Public Defender's services:

1. Court charging documents/traffic tickets. (Statement of Charges/all documents issued to you by court).
2. Trial date notices from the court. (You may apply even if no trial date has been received.)
3. If you are employed:  
Written proof of salary, pay stubs, or other written verification of income for the last two pay periods.
4. If you are unemployed:  
Proof of public assistance, medical assistance, Social Security or  
Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or other assistance you are receiving.

For more information on operating hours or locations visit the Maryland Judiciary website:  
[mdcourts.gov/district/directories/commissionermap](http://mdcourts.gov/district/directories/commissionermap)  
If you require further information about qualifying for the Public Defender, call 1-833-453-9799.

### IMPORTANT

IF THE COMMISSIONER DETERMINES THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE REPRESENTED BY THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AT TRIAL, YOU WILL RECEIVE A FINAL QUALIFICATION IN WRITING.  
ONCE YOU HAVE RECEIVED THE FINAL QUALIFICATION, ALL QUESTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE:

The address of the Public Defender is: COURTHOUSE

100 WEST PATRICK STREET  
FREDERICK, MARYLAND 21701

Their telephone number is: 301-600-1988

The Office of the Public Defender is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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DATE

SIGNATURE OF DEFENDANT

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER ON THE TRIAL DATE, YOU MAY  
HAVE TO GO TO TRIAL WITHOUT THE ASSISTANCE OF A LAWYER.**